# MOHAVE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

# ANNOUNCEMENT of JUDICIAL VACANCY

### ANNOUNCING:

Applications are being accepted for a vacancy created on the Superior Court in Mohave County by the retirement of the Honorable James E. Chavez.

An original completed application and 11 double-sided copies must be received by Kip Anderson, Court Administrator, Mohave County Superior Court, 401 E. Spring Street, P.O. Box 7000, Kingman, Arizona, 86402, no later than 3:00 p.m. on Monday, March 16, 2009.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

Applicants must be at least 30 years of age, of good moral character, admitted to the practice of law in and a resident of Arizona for the past five years, a resident of Mohave County for the past year, and under age 65 at the time the nomination is submitted to the Governor. Additionally, pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-230(A)(1) applicants must be a registered Republican.

#### TO OBTAIN APPLICATION MATERIALS:

Application materials can be obtained from the Mohave County Superior Court website at <a href="www.mohavecourts.com">www.mohavecourts.com</a> or by contacting the Superior Court Administrator's Office at 928-753-0790 extension 4391. To request the application form via e-mail, send your request to: <a href="mailto:cbrewer@courts.az.gov">cbrewer@courts.az.gov</a>

# SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THIS VACANCY:

All written comments about applicants should be directed to the attention of Kip Anderson, Superior Court Administrator, 401 E. Spring Street, P.O. Box 7000, Kingman, Arizona, 86402. Applicants are asked to limit solicited reference letters to a **maximum** of six (6) from a diverse group of people who are well-acquainted with the applicant. All letters timely submitted will be forwarded to all nomination committee members.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

To comment on issues relevant to the vacant judgeship or on a particular applicant, submit a written statement no later than March 31, 2009, to the Mohave County Superior Court Judge Nomination Committee, in care of Mr. Kip Anderson, 401 E. Spring Street, P.O. Box 7000, Kingman, Arizona, 86402.

## **NOMINATION PROCESS:**

The Mohave County Superior Court Judicial Nomination Committee will submit a recommendation of the top three nominees to the Presiding Judge. The Presiding Judge will forward the recommendation along with the application materials of all applicants who applied for the position to the Governor who will then make a selection decision. To obtain a list of the Nomination Committee members visit the website: www.mohavecourts.com

### **BENEFITS:**

The annual salary of a Superior Court judge is \$145,000. The judge is eligible to enroll in State or County benefit plans. Participation in Elected Officials Retirement Plan is required.

## JUDICIAL RETENTION:

The newly appointed judge will serve for the remainder of the Division 4 term through December 31, 2010. The office of Division 4 Superior Court Judge is subject to the normal election process, through the primary election set for August 31, 2010, and the general election set for November 2, 2010.